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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of April 9, 2002 Applicant hereby elects Group 1, Claims 1-38, drawn to a backerboard sheet, classified in class 442, subclass 2. is respectfully requested that the Examiner use his discretion under 35 U.S.C. §121 and withdraw the restriction requirement since search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden.

If any extension and/or fee is required, authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 01-0484.

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